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TOPIC Information on the KVP Artillery Officer Candidate School at Gloewen			
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1. [redacted] the KVP Artillery Officer Candidate School was in a settlement about 1,200 meters distant from Gloewen railroad station. At the school, which consisted of a headquarters, a cadre company and 10 student companies with four platoons to each company, prospective artillery officers were trained for one year. In March 1953, the school had a total strength of 1,200 to 1,400 men.
2. Officers attached to the school included:
 - School commandant: Colonel Goepfert
 - Soviet Adviser: Colonel (Arty) Gubin
 - Deputy and Political officer: Lieutenant Colonel Kittelmann
 - Chief of headquarters office: Senior Lieutenant Holz
 - Chief of staff and chief of training: Major Baumann, 3 assistants
 - Chief of personnel section: Unknown
 - SED officer: Captain Koropka
 - Cultural officer: Unknown
 - FDJ secretary: Unknown
 - In charge of propaganda: Unknown
 - Billeting officer: Senior Lieutenant Dollhardt
 - Chief of planning section: Senior Lieutenant Gaessner
 - Mass officer: Captain Schaper
 - Ordnance officer: Senior Lieutenant Wunderlich
 - Finance officer: Unknown
 - Chief of classified records section: Unknown
 - Gas officer: Senior Lieutenant Zeller
 - Counterintelligence officer: Captain Greulich
 - In charge of political training: Major Muecke
 - In charge of gunnery training: Major Katschulla
 - In charge of basic training: Captain Wilke
 - Instructor for map reading: Captain Heida
 - Instructor for tactics: Lieutenant Colonel Rudolf
 - Instructor for signal matters: Major Klepsig.
3. Weapons and motor vehicles available to the school included 5 x 152-mm howitzers, 4 x 122-mm howitzers, 9 x 45-mm AT guns, 7 x 76.2-mm guns, 5 heavy mortars, 13 medium mortars in addition to an undetermined number of SF AT guns, 105-mm infantry guns, model 18/150-mm heavy field howitzers, and 35 ZIS trucks, 35 BMW sedans, 15 BMW motorcycles, shop trucks, cross-country vehicles and wreckers.

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- A. Firing practices were held by the school under the direction of high ranking VP officers and Soviet officers at the Rastow range near Schwerin at an undetermined date.

25X1 ☐ Comment. The data contained in the present report agrees with previous information.

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